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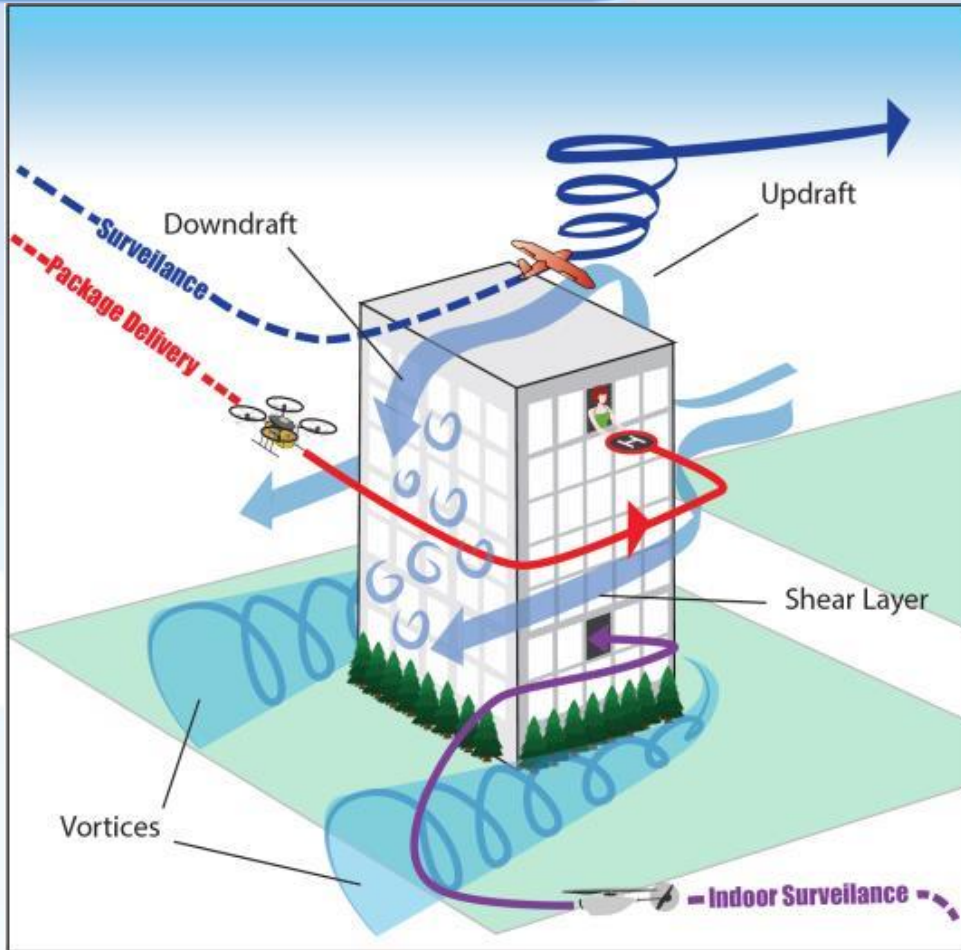
**NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY**

**Safe Operation of Collaborative Small Unmanned  
Aerial Systems in Challenging Environments**

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# Motivation: UAM Challenges

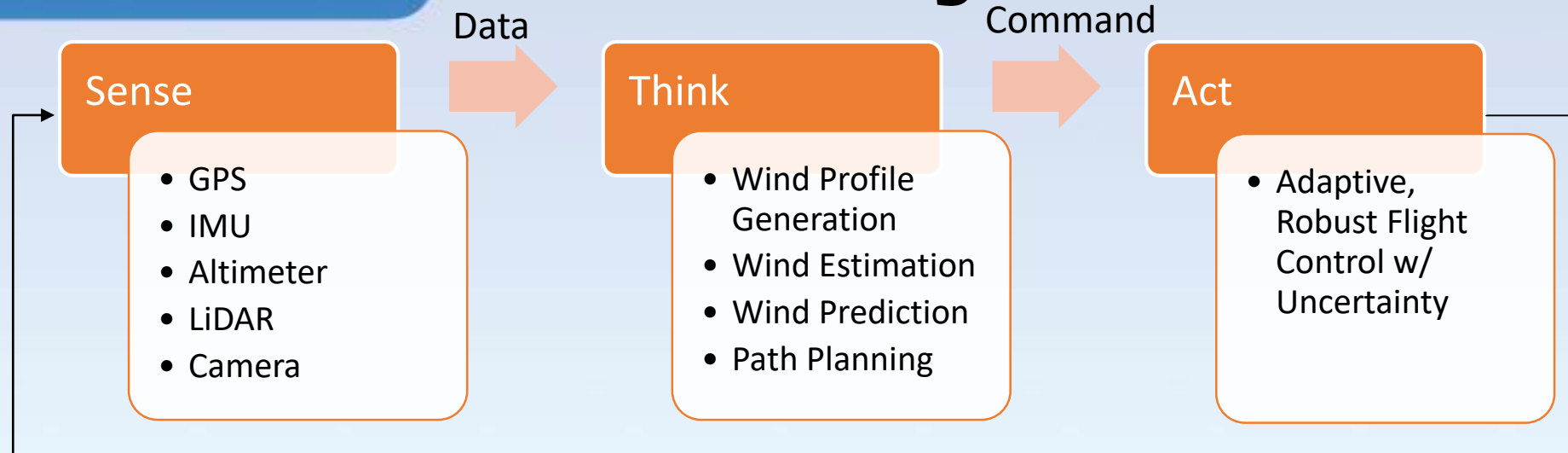


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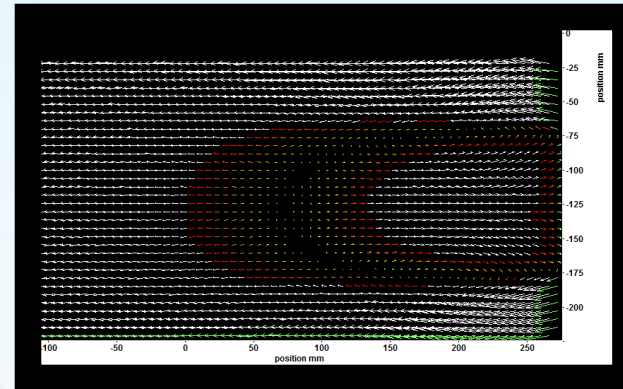
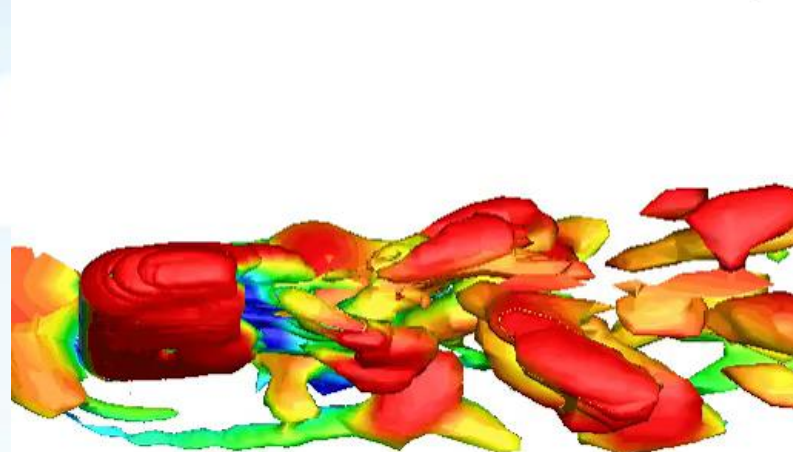
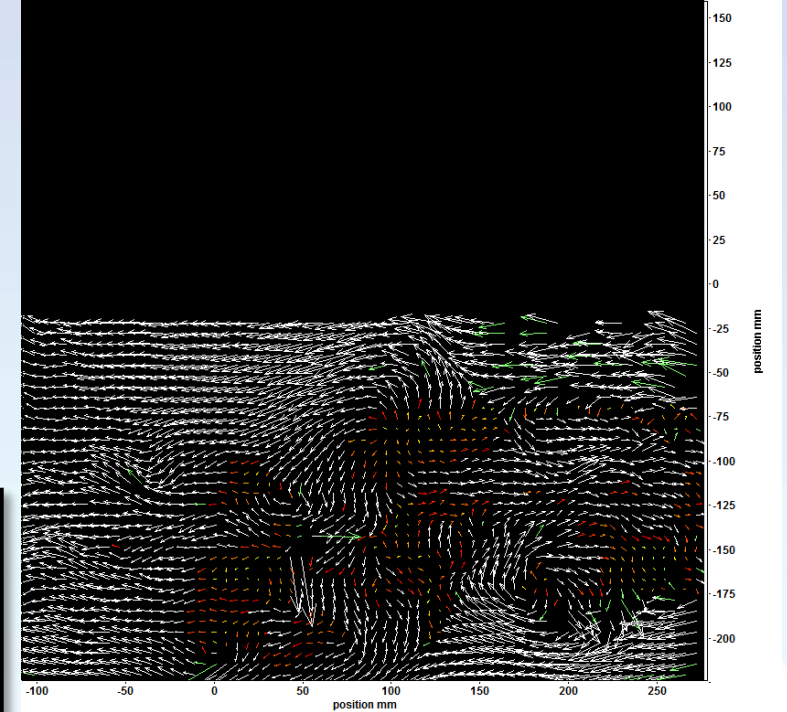
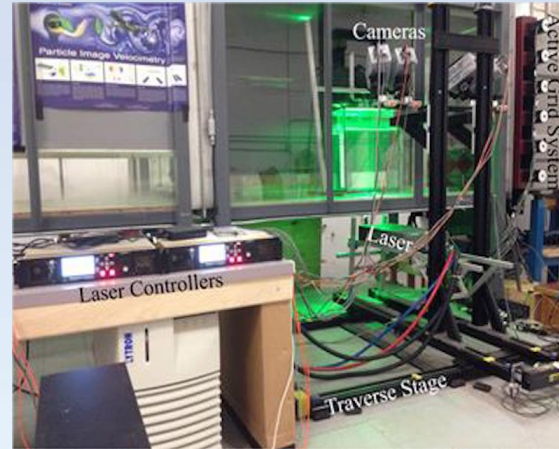
# Autonomy Framework



- Wind Profile Generation
  - Airwakes modeling and reduced-order model using CFD (collaborator: **Dr. Andreas Gross** @NMSU)
- Wind Visualization
  - Application of Particle Image Velocimetry (PIV) (collaborator: **Dr. Fangjun Shu** @NMSU)
- Collaborative Wind Estimation and Prediction
- Distributed Adaptive Control w/ Uncertainty

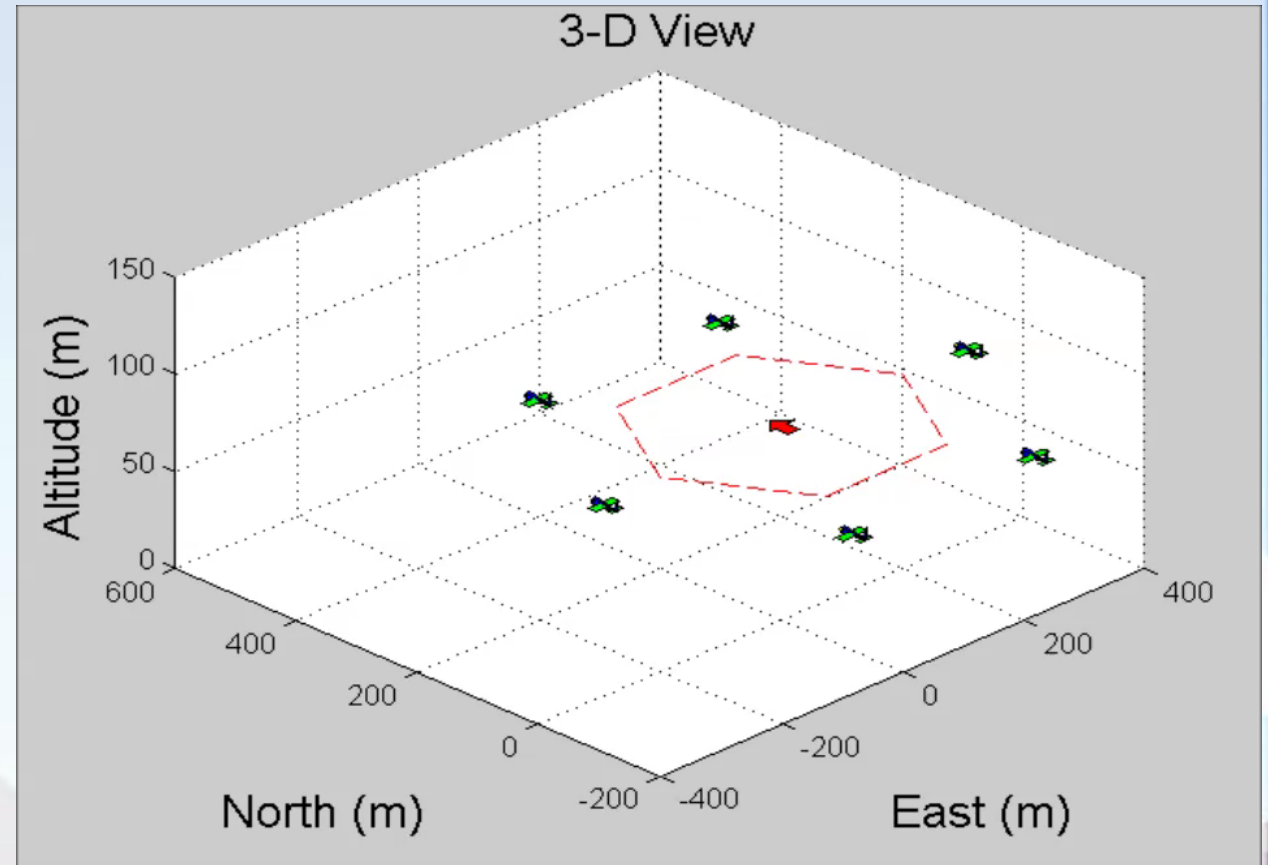
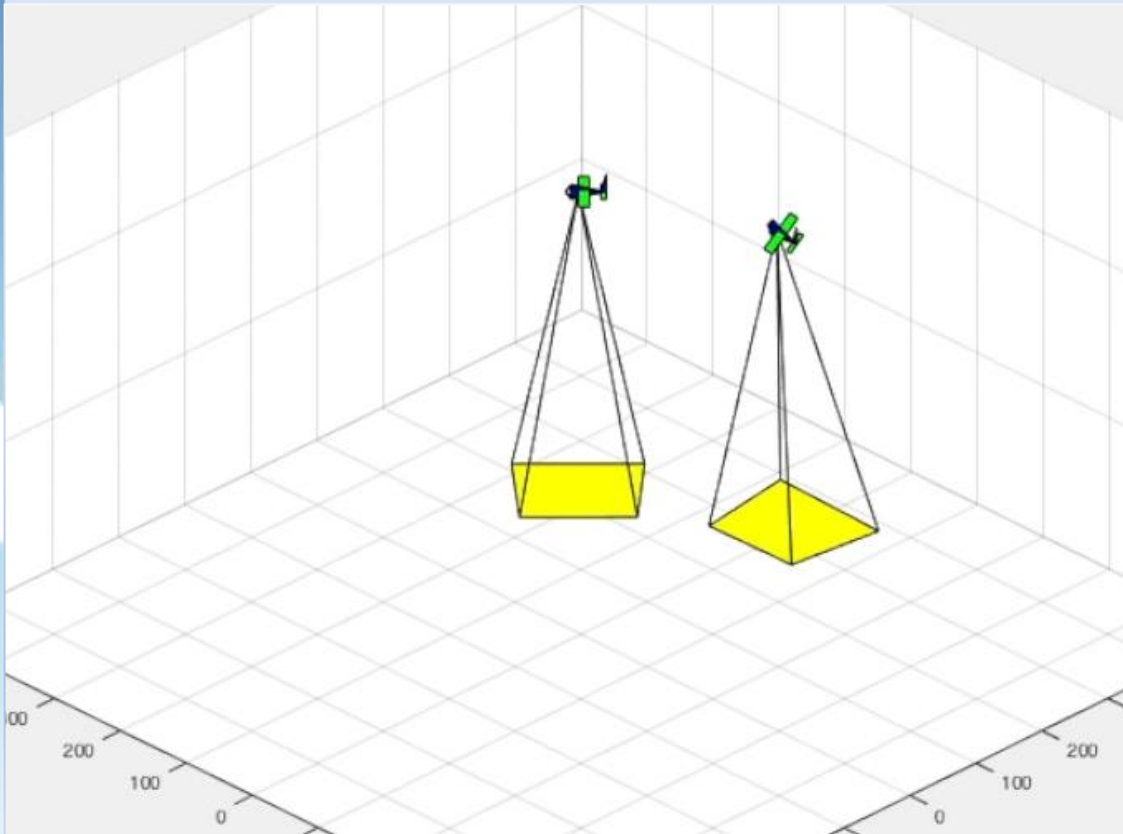


# CFD Modeling and Wind Tunnel Testing



# Distributed Adaptive Control

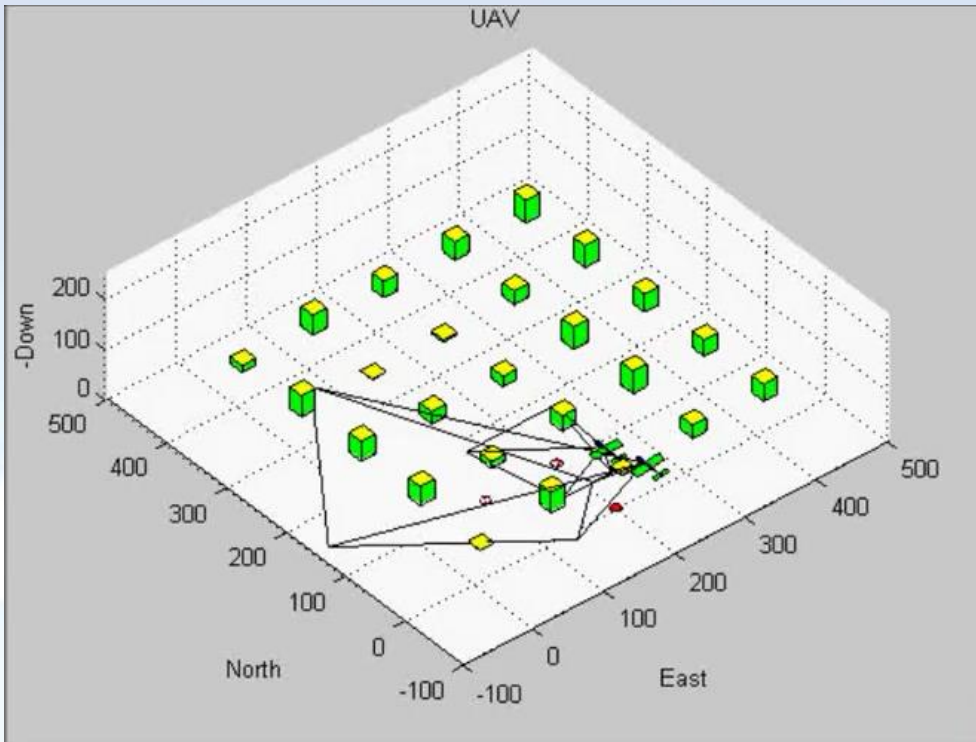
## Formation Flight in GPS-Degraded Environments





# Other Projects

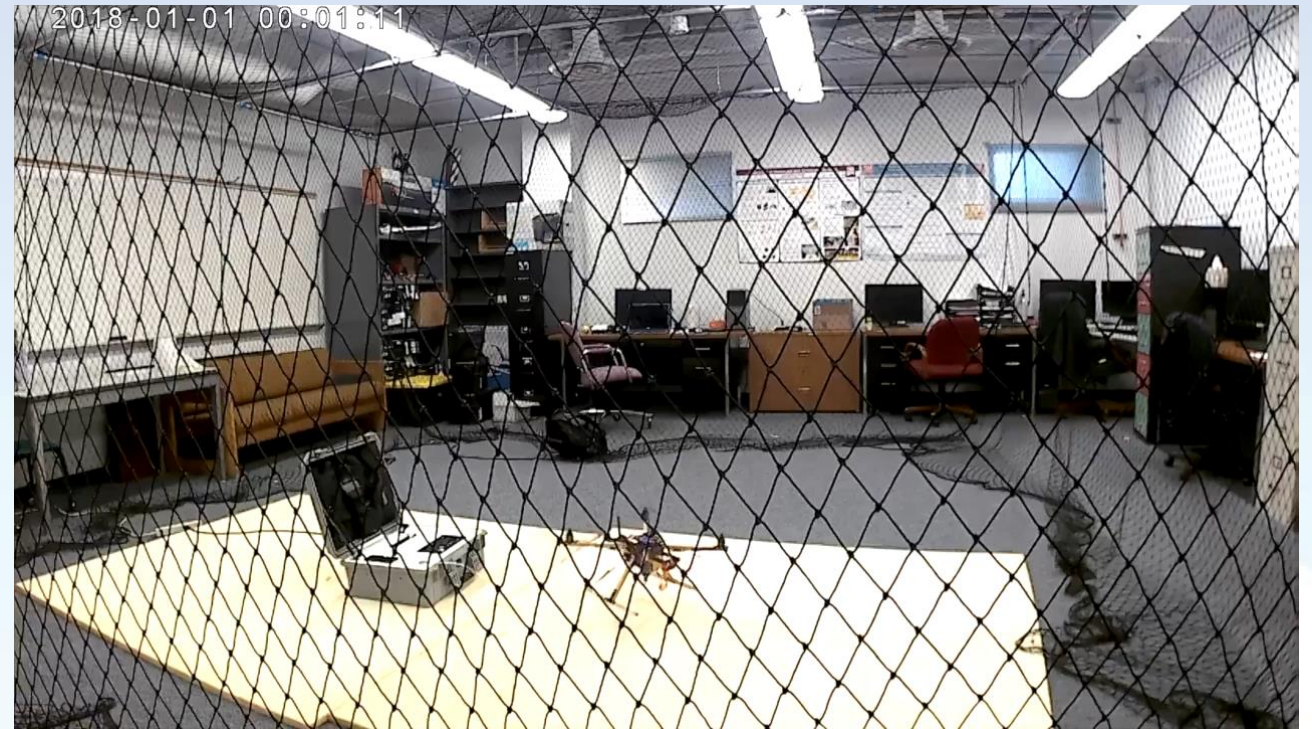
## Multi-Target Search and Tracking



### Research Topics:

- Decision-Making/Optimization w/ Uncertainty
- Distributed Dynamic Task Allocation
- Collaborative Path Planning

## Autonomous Tethered Drones



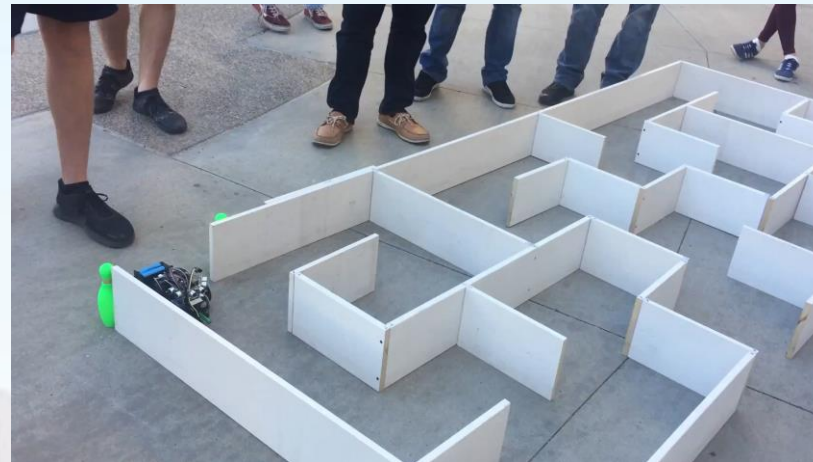
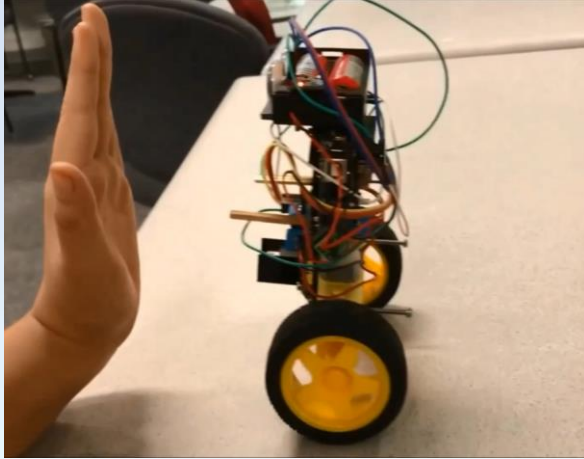
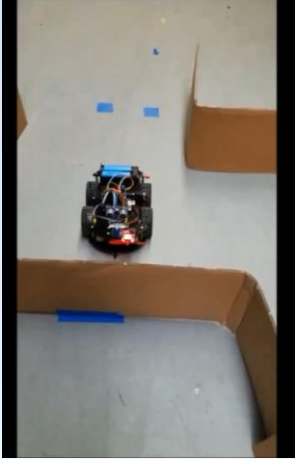
### Research Topics:

- Dynamics Modeling
- Learning-Aided State Estimation
- Distributed Adaptive Control



# Education

## Electronics and Systems Engineering (ME210)



## Mechatronics (ME487/587)

